

MAILS EXPECTED

THE UNIVERSITY MAIN

THE PACIFIC MAIL.

The M. M. steamer *Ara*, with the next French mail, left Singapore at 6 p.m. on the 14th, and is due here on or about the 21st instant.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The P. M. steamer *City of São de Janeiro*, with the next American mail, left San Francisco on the 22nd March, and is due here on or about the 29th April.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The D. D. R. steamer *Polyhymnia* left Singapore on the 19th, and is expected to arrive here on or about the 19th instant.

The Austro-Hungarian Lloyd's steamer *Medusa* left Singapore on the 13th, and may be expected for here on or about the 18th inst.

The Glen Line steamer *Glenogle* left Singapore on the 15th, and may be expected here on or about the 20th inst.

The O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Glaucus* left Singapore on the 16th, and may be expected here on or about the 21st instant.

POST-OFFICE. NOTICES.

The Postal Guide for 1884, revised to date, will be found in the *Daily Press* Directory, p. 385 large edition, p. 633 small edition. This is the only authorized complete Summary of Postal information published in Hongkong.

✂ The authorized List of Mails issued in connection with this paper is the one published twice each day in our Extra, which is always carried to a much later hour than that given below.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE.

For Shanghai.—Per *Peking*, to-day, the 18th inst., at 9.30 A.M.

For Yokohama and Hiego.—Per *Ozoforo*, to-day, the 18th inst., at 11.30 A.M.

For Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, and Calcutta, to-day, the 18th inst., at 2.30 P.M.

For Amoy and Tamsui.—Per *Fukien*, to-morrow, the 19th inst., at 3.30 p.m.
For Saigon.—Per *Ocean*, to-morrow, the 10th inst., at 4.30 p.m.
For Hongkong, Amoy, Foochow.—Per *Kuanglung*, on Sunday, the 20th inst., at 8.30 a.m.
For Shanghai.—Per *Pesang*, on Sunday, the 20th inst., at 9.30 a.m.
For Straits and Bombay.—Per *Khiva*, on Monday, the 21st inst., at 2.30 p.m.
For Amoy and Manila.—Per *Diamonds*, on Monday, the 21st inst., at 2.30 p.m.
For Hongkong, Amoy, Foochow.—Per *Anaconda*, on Tuesday, the 22nd inst., at 4.30 p.m.
For Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne.

ko, do, &c.—Per Naples, on Friday, the 25th instant, at 3.30 P.M.

For Nagasaki, Kobo, and Yokohama—Per *Kashgar*, on Saturday, the 20th instant, at 11.30 A.M.

**MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES
PACKET.**

The United States Mail Packet *Oceania* will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 18th April, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, the United States, Canada, Honolulu, Peru, &c., which will be closed as follows:—

2.15 p.m., Registry offices. but Correspondence

2.30 P.M. Post-Office closes, but Correspondence may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 10 cents extra Postage until the time of departure.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.
The French Contract Packet *Nadal* will be despatched on **TUESDAY**, the 22nd April, with Mails for the United Kingdom, and Europe, and places beyond, *via* Naples; to Saigon, Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah, Ceylon, the Australasian Colonies, Pondicherry, Madras, Calcutta, Aden, Mauritius, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.
The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.
The British Contract Packet *Rohilla* will be despatched on **FRIDAY**, the 25th April.

with Mails for the United Kingdom, Europe and countries beyond, *via Brindisi*; to the Straits Settlements, Batavia, Borneo, Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar.
N.B.—This Packet carries no mails for the Australasian Colonies.
The usual hours will be observed in closing the Mails, &c.

**HOURS FOR CLOSING THE CONTRACT
MAILS.**
THE BRENNON MAIL.
Day before Departure.
5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. Post Office
closes, except the night box, which is always

open out of office hours.
Day of Departure.
 7 A.M., Post Office opens.
 10 A.M., Registry of Letters ceases. Posting of
 all printed matter and patterns ceases.
 11 A.M., Mail closes, except for Late Letters.
 11.30 A.M., Letters may be posted with Late Fee
 of 10 cents until

11.30 A.M., when the Post Office closes entirely
11.40 A.M., Late Letters may be posted on board
the packet with Late Fee of 10 Cents until
time of departure

THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The following hours are observed in closing

Mails, &c., by the British Contract Packet:—
Day of Departure.
NOON.—Money Order Office closes.
2.00 P.M.—Registry of Letters ceases. Posting of all printed matter and patterns ceases.
3.00 P.M.—Mails closed, except for Late Letters.
3.10 P.M.—Letters may be posted with late fee of 10 cents until

3.30 P.M.—when the Post Office closes entirely
3.40 P.M.—Late Letters may be posted on board
the packet with late fee of 10 cents, until
time of departure.

No responsibility can be accepted by the Post
Office for erroneous replies to verbal enquiries

To provide means of remitting small sum

of money to or from this Colony and between the Ports of China, the Postmasters and Agent of this Office are allowed (but not required) to purchase Hongkong Postage Stamps from foreign residents.

RATES OF POSTAGE.

Letters, per sheet	10 Cents
Business Cards, per sheet	10 Cents
Small Advertisements, per sheet	10 Cents
Large Advertisements, per sheet	10 Cents
Small Advertisements, per sheet	10 Cents
Large Advertisements, per sheet	10 Cents

Books, Patterns, and Commercial	2 Cents
Papers, per 2 oz.	2 Cents
Newspapers & Prices Current, each	10 Cent
Registration	15 Cent
Do. with return receipt	15 Cent
Commercial papers signify such papers as	

though written by hand, do not bear the character of an actual or personal correspondence, such as invoices, deeds, copied music, &c. The charge is the same as for Books; but all packets of any under 4 oz. weight are charged 5 cents.

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DEBTS

Neither the CAPTAINS, the AGENTS, nor the OWNERS, will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBT contracted by the Officers or the Crew of the following Vessels during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—
ANNA, Ger. ship, F. Schildt.—Order.

ATALANTA, Ger. str., Pfaff.—Siemssen & Co.
CAENGDORM, Brit. str., Wm. Jack.—Borneo Co.
CEYLON, Am. bk., Barsford.—Russell & Co.
DON ENRIQUE, Brit. ship, McAllister.—Morri-
& Ray.
FRANK CARVILL, Brit. ship, Wm. S. Chapman

LEVI C. WADE, Am. bk., W. H. Bagley.—
Captain.
NAPLES, Brit. str., J. Thom.—Russell & Co.
OCEAN, Brit. str., Brown.—Chinese.
WELLE, Ger. str., E. Piper.—Wieler & Co.
YANWATH, British bark, J. Buick Birley.—

Dalrymple & Co.

